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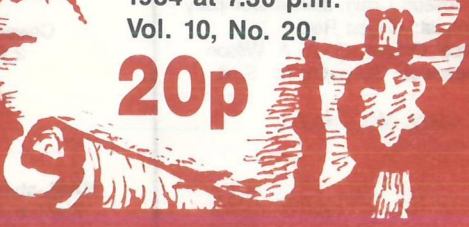
Friendly Match

Douglas Park,
Hamilton.

Accies v BOLTON WANDERERS

on Friday, 9th March,
1984 at 7.30 p.m.
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INSIDE OPINION



FACED with the prospect of a blank weekend — our scheduled First Division fixture against Morton being postponed due to the Greenock club's involvement in the last eight of the Scottish Cup — we decided, rather forlornly I must admit, to scan the set-up south of the border for possible opposition, either on Friday night or on Sunday afternoon. And how delighted we were when, on 27th February, Bolton Wanderers said "yes" to a match at Douglas Park. the Lancashire club were down to host Plymouth Argyle tomorrow, but, of course, the Pilgrims are otherwise engaged.

In thanking Wanderers' secretary Des McBain and player-manager John McGovern most sincerely for their assistance and co-operation in making the many arrangements for tonight's encounter, we must stress that without sponsorship from a number of individuals, organisations and local companies, it would not have been possible to go ahead as planned. We are indebted to the following:—

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Bolton, who were in Hull last Saturday and faced Orient in London on Tuesday evening, haven't travelled three-and-a-half hours just for the ride. Nor have they ventured north to stretch their legs. They have come to entertain and to win, which should make for an engrossing tussle. A mini Scotland v England!

Our second Canon Division Three opponents of 1983-84, Wanderers, handily placed, are intent on improving their status come May. Tonight's game, therefore, should be beneficial to both Clubs as managers John Lambie and John McGovern strive to achieve their different immediate objectives.

Enjoy your football!

SECRETARY

Front cover photo — Alan McDougall can only grimace as an effort from Bristol Rovers' Archie Stephens (9) homes in on goal last August.



LAMBIE AT LARGE

"TONIGHT it gives me great pleasure to welcome Bolton Wanderers to Douglas Park for the first time. They are a Club steeped in tradition, having been founder members of the Football League in 1888 and having reached no fewer than seven F.A. Cup finals. Bolton are managed, of course, by Scotsman John McGovern who as a player with Derby County and Nottingham Forest won a host of honours, including two

European Cup winners' medals. I'm sure John will enjoy success as a manager just as he did as a player.

Our fans will have read in the press in the last day or two that we've signed John Pelosi from St. Johnstone on a permanent basis. John has been on loan to us for the past month and done extremely well and I was delighted to get him for around £5,000. The boy is a tremendous worker, has bags of skill and now that his much-publicised troubles are behind him, he can concentrate fully on doing a job for the Club. I consider the signing of John as a step in the right direction for next season when we hope to be involved at the other end of the First Division table.

It was disappointing to drop a home point to Kilmarnock last weekend, bearing in mind that we missed a penalty (for the second successive Saturday) and had what looked like a perfectly

good 'goal' disallowed for offside. We attacked with conviction for long periods in the first half, but lost our way a bit as the game wore on. Near the end, passes were going astray on far too many occasions.

Our midfield needs major surgery, there is no doubt about that, and this week I've been busy trying to fix up a player on loan from a Premier League club. If I've been successful, you'll see him make his Accies debut tonight."

CURRENT 1983-84 PLACINGS

SCOTTISH FIRST DIVISION

	Home			Away			Goals			Pts
	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	
Morton.....	29	6	5	3	8	5	2	57	37	38
Dumbarton.....	29	10	3	2	5	5	4	50	35	38
Partick Thistle.....	28	10	2	2	6	2	6	51	36	36
Clydebank.....	28	8	3	4	4	5	4	44	35	32
Brechin City.....	27	8	3	1	3	7	5	40	34	32
Kilmarnock.....	29	8	2	4	5	2	8	45	39	30
Falkirk.....	29	6	3	5	6	1	8	37	45	28
Clyde.....	29	3	7	4	6	2	7	39	35	27
Ayr United.....	28	4	7	3	4	3	7	43	44	26
Meadowbank.....	29	7	2	6	3	4	7	36	50	26
ACCIES.....	28	4	8	3	2	4	7	30	35	24
Airdrieonians.....	29	7	2	6	2	4	8	29	42	24
Raith Rovers.....	29	3	5	7	2	5	7	31	48	20
Alloa.....	29	5	2	7	1	5	9	33	50	19

CANON DIVISION THREE

	Home			Away			Goals			Pts
	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	
Oxford United.....	30	11	3	0	7	3	6	62	39	60
Wimbledon.....	32	12	4	1	6	1	8	74	58	59
Sheffield United.....	32	10	6	0	6	3	7	63	39	57
Walsall.....	32	11	2	3	6	4	6	51	43	57
Bristol Rovers.....	32	12	3	1	4	4	8	50	38	55
Hull City.....	29	9	3	2	5	7	3	43	24	52
Bolton Wanderers.....	32	10	4	2	4	5	7	43	34	51
Burnley.....	30	11	1	2	2	9	5	61	33	49
Gillingham.....	28	10	2	3	4	4	5	51	41	48
Orient.....	32	10	3	4	4	3	8	47	51	48
Bradford City.....	30	7	7	2	6	1	7	56	46	47
Millwall.....	32	12	2	2	0	8	8	51	52	46
Lincoln.....	33	9	3	4	4	3	10	44	49	45
Newport.....	30	8	5	2	2	4	7	43	52	45
Wigan A.....	29	7	2	5	3	5	7	31	39	37
Preston.....	31	7	4	5	2	4	9	45	44	35
Plymouth.....	29	7	6	1	2	1	12	38	38	34
Bournemouth.....	30	7	3	5	1	2	12	39	55	29
Brentford.....	31	3	6	5	3	4	10	45	60	28
Southend.....	31	5	7	4	1	3	11	37	54	28
Rotherham.....	28	4	4	6	3	1	10	29	42	26
Port Vale.....	31	7	2	7	0	3	12	32	59	26
Scunthorpe.....	29	4	6	4	0	6	9	34	56	24
Exeter.....	31	3	4	9	2	4	9	37	60	23

NEXT UP

Reserve League West

ACCIES v

RANGERS

Wednesday, 14th March,
1984, at 7.30 p.m.

The 'big one' for our second
stringers — don't miss it!

**First Division
Championship**

**ACCIES v
CLYDEBANK**

Saturday, 17th March,
1984, at 3.00 p.m.

introducing Jim Gallacher,
Jim Fallon, Jim Given
and Hamiltonian Gerry

McCabe.

Can John Brown & Co. sink
Clydebank? Come along
and see.

WELCOME TO — BOLTON WANDERERS



JOHN PLATT (goalkeeper) — When Republic of Ireland internationalist Jim McDonagh switched to Notts County last summer, manager John McGovern turned to near-neighbours Bury and signed up John, born in Ashton on 22.8.54. A class exponent of anticipation and judgment, he had seven seasons at Oldham before moving to Gigg Lane in 1981.

SIMON FARNWORTH (goalkeeper) — Coached enthusiastically by Charlie Wright (himself a former custodian), Chorley-born Simon has made a major impact in this, his first term of senior play. Stands 5ft. 11ins. tall and weighs in at 11 stones.

BRIAN BORROWS (defender) — Twenty-three year-old Brian made 27 appearances for Everton prior to his £6,000 transfer to Bolton last March. Happy at full-back or in midfield, this resolute performer was born in Liverpool.

RAY DEAKIN (defender) — A spunky left full-back who can also foot it in centre-field, Ray (24) joined Wanderers during the 1982 close season on a free-transfer from Port Vale. Commenced his career as an Everton apprentice.

GERRY McELHINNEY (defender) — Signed from Distillery for a £25,000 fee in 1980, Gerry, a former amateur boxer (middleweight) and Gaelic footballer, made his international debut for Northern Ireland against West Germany in Hamburg last November. Supreme in the air, he had spells with Finn Harps and Celtic in the seventies. Born Co. Londonderry in 1956.

PETER VALENTINE (defender) — Peter changed places with former Wanderers' skipper Paul Jones who moved to Huddersfield Town during the

summer. Crossing the Pennines undoubtedly brought a fresh challenge for the promising young central defender who will be 21 shortly.

JOHN MCGOVERN (midfield) — Montrose-born and a Scottish Under-23 cap in by-gone days, John's career has taken him from Hartlepool to Bolton via Derby, Leeds and Nottingham. Led Forest to a plethora of honours — the 1978 League championship, two European Cups, two League Cups, an Anglo-Scottish Cup and a European Super Cup — in the outstanding side in that club's history. Became the Trotters player-manager in June, 1982.

WARREN JOYCE (midfield) — Son of ex-Blackburn Rovers and Burnley defender Walter, Warren is the regular number 4 this season. A county cricketer at colts level and a Rugby Union schoolboy tourist, the Oldham-born schemer is a fine all-round sportsman.

STEVE THOMPSON (midfield) — Three Second Division appearances — all away from home — was Steve's taste of top-team action in 1982-83. However, now that he is more or less a fixture in the 'engine-room', he has the confidence to supplement the attack as well as pull midfield strings.

GRAHAM BELL (midfield) — A former England Youth cap, Graham (28) began his career on the books of Oldham Athletic, moving to Preston North End for an £80,000 fee. On receiving a free-transfer from Deepdale, he signed for Carlisle United in June, 1983 but couldn't settle in Cumbria and was delighted to be given the opportunity of a Bolton contract.

JEFF CHANDLER (forward) — A livewire attacker with an abundance of skill and tenacity, Jeff (24) cost Wanderers £40,000 when signed from Leeds United in October, 1981. The Hammersmith-born lad, who commenced his F.L. career at Blackpool, has two Rep. of Ireland honours, both gained while at Elland Road.

WAYNE FOSTER (forward) — Born locally, Wayne, an England Youth cap, is a nippy front runner. Came

to prominence at Burnden Park in 1981-82 and last season made 21(3) Division Two appearances, netting 4 goals.

SIMON RUDGE (forward) — Diminutive yet highly popular striker, Simon, who hails from Warrington, won the hearts of the Trotters' fans with his terrier-like qualities last time round. Now a regular in the side.

NEIL REDFEARN (midfield) — The ex-Nottingham Forest apprentice made his Bolton debut at Rotherham on 19.2.83 at the tender age of 17 and has never looked back. Enthusiastic and packing a fierce shot, Neil was raised in Dewsbury.

STEVE SAUNDERS (forward) — A cruel sequence of injuries robbed apprentice Steve of his chance in the senior side in 1982-83, but lately he has been firing on all cylinders. Another born in Warrington.

GEORGE OGHANI (forward) — A recent addition to our visitors' staff, George was captured from Northern Premier League combine Hyde United for a small fee on October, 1983. Plucky and assertive in everything he does.

ERIC SNOOKES (defender) — Formerly attached to Preston N.E., Crewe Alexandra, Southport and Rochdale, 'Snookey', born in Birmingham on 6.3.55, has fully recovered from the hamstring injury which sidelined him earlier in the campaign. The blond full-back is, in fact, enjoying his first term at Burnden Park after five years at Spotland.

NEIL BERRY (defender) — An Edinburgh native, 20 year-old Neil has Scottish Youth honours to his name. Made his Bolton debut at Cambridge in March, 1982 and since then has graduated to become a valued first-team pool member.

TONY CALDWELL (forward) — Leading marksman Tony, snapped up from Howich R.M.I. last summer, will be absent from our visitors' line-up tonight due to a broken collar-bone. Bagged five against Walsall back in September and has seldom been out of the headlines since that memorable day. A fall at home caused his injury — not a Port Vale defender!



WHO ARE THESE GUYS?

BOLTON WANDERERS F.C. 1983-84



Back row (left to right) — Brian Borrows, Neil Berry, John Platt, Simon Farnworth, Gerry McElhinney, Peter Valentine.

Middle row — Warren Joyne, Neil Redfearn, Steve Thompson, Tony Caldwell, Eric Snookes, Wayne Foster.

Front row — Charlie Wright (coach), Jeff Chandler, Steve Saunders, John McGovern (player-manager), Ray Deakin, Simon Rudge, Peter Nightingale (physiotherapist).

ON THE NEWSBEAT . . . NEWSBEAT . . . NEWSBEAT . . .

SCENESETTER

BOLTON Wanderers, founder members of the Football League in 1888 — when they finished fifth — and 110 years old this year, are tonight's visitors to Douglas Park. 'The Trotters' have been in the League since its inception and have spent 60 years in the First Division, their best position being third in seasons 1891-92, 1920-21 and 1924-25.

The F.A. Cup, however, is where Bolton have made their mark, winning four out of their seven Final appearances. Three of these wins came in the 'roaring twenties' including, of course, Wembley's first final in 1923 when they beat West Ham United 2-0 with goals from David Jack and Joe Smith in front of . . . well, who knows how many people — and a white horse called Billy who helped keep them off the pitch.

Five players participated in all three Finals — won without conceding a goal — and in these days of organisation and tactics it is interesting to note that Wanderers' supremo in the twenties was Charles Foweraker, the secretary-manager, who had originally joined the club in 1895 as a part-time gate checker!

Bolton's next two Final appearances and, so far at least, their last two, came in the 1950's when they lost the famous 'Matthews Final' 4-3 in 1953 despite the generosity of George Farm in the Blackpool goal — now there was a Scottish goalkeeper — and beat a Manchester United side which only two months earlier had been decimated at Munich, by 2-0 in 1958. Both these goals came from Nat Lofthouse, Bolton's most capped player with 33 England honours and 255 League goals in his fifteen years with the Club. Nat also had two spells managing Wanderers without any great success.

Other notables who have bossed the Club since the War are Jimmy McLroy, Jimmy Armfield, Ian Greaves, George Mulhall and the present incumbent, John McGovern.

Bolton are currently in the top third of the Third

Division, just off the pacemakers but hopeful, perhaps, of regaining the Second Division slot that they relinquished last season. The First Division, however, which they graced, briefly, as recently as 1980, looks rather a long way away.

Last January I paid a visit to Wanderers' Burnden Park — at one time a regular venue for Cup semi-finals — and on a wet and windy day saw them win 3-0 against County rivals Burnley, the highlight being a 95 yard score from Jim McDonagh in the Bolton goal. Jim is now with Notts County, so we don't need to worry about him tonight . . . but I'd watch John Platt just in case!

TOM MARCHBANK

WANDERERS' FACT-FILE

- * Bolton were the first-ever Club to receive a five-figure transfer fee when Arsenal paid them £10,890 for forward David Jack in 1928.

- * Burnden Park saw the first Football League substitution when Charlton Athletic introduced Keith Peacock on 21st August, 1965 in a Second Division match.

- * Formed in 1874 as Christ Church F.C., our visitors changed their name to Bolton Wanderers three years later.

- * The record attendance at Burnden Park is 69,912 for a F.A. Cup, Fifth Round tie between the Trotters and Manchester City on 18th February, 1933. The present capacity is 43,000.

- * Last Saturday, Bolton held fellow promotion-chasers Hull City to a 1-1 draw at Boothferry Park. Jeff Chandler netted for the visitors in front of 6,869 fans.

- * In their last home game on 18th February, a Tony Caldwell 'double' helped Wanderers defeat improving Port Vale 2-0. The crowd was 5,818.

- * Our visitors' registered colours are white shirts and navy blue shorts. This evening, however, they will wear their change strip of sky blue shirts and shorts with red stockings.

- * Of the current Third Division clubs to have won the F.A. Cup, Bolton were the last defeating Manchester United 2-0 in 1958.

- * Goalkeeper Eddie Hopkinson has made most League appearances for the Trotters. Between 1956 and 1970, Eddie, who gained 14 England caps, turned out an incredible 519 times.

- * Tony Caldwell of Bolton equalled a Football League record when scoring five goals against Wallsall earlier this season (in Wanderers' 8-1 win). No player has netted more than five times in a Third Division fixture and Tony is only the fifth performer to go nap.

- * Our visitors sold Neil Whatmore to Birmingham City for £340,000 in August, 1974 and bought Len Cantello for £350,000 from West Bromwich Albion in May, 1979. These are the Trotters' record transfer fees.

- * Bolton's full League record is as follows:- 1888 Founder member of the Football League; 1892-1899 Division One; 1899-1900 Division Two; 1900-03 Division One; 1903-05 Division Two; 1905-08 Division One; 1908-09 Division Two; 1909-10 Division One; 1910-11 Division Two; 1911-33 Division One; 1933-35 Division Two; 1935-64 Division One; 1964-71 Division Two; 1971-73 Division Three; 1973-78 Division Two; 1978-80 Division One; 1980-83 Division Two; 1983 — Division Three.

We trust that you've enjoyed tonight's mini 'Accies World' at the reduced price of 20p. We will, of course, be back with our normal 24 page issue a week on Saturday when Clydebank are in town on First Division duty.

PIC OF THE WEEK . . . PIC OF THE WEEK . . .



The one which got away! Gerry Phillips wheels perfectly, but from six yards smacks the ball over the St. Mirren crossbar in the 10th minute of our Scottish Cup, Fourth Round tie at Paisley on 18th February — a match we lost 2-1.

Photo by Andy Edgar



ACCIES

(Red and White Hoops
with 'TRUST MOTORS' logo)

Team Manager: John Lambie

1. DOUGIE McNAB
2. BRIAN WRIGHT
3. ALEX FORSYTH
4. CHARLIE SPEIRS
5. ALAN McDOUGALL
6. JOHN BROWN
7. JOHN PELOSI
8. GERRY PHILLIPS
9. DOUGIE SOMNER
10. ALEX HAMILL
11. PAUL HACKETT
12. JOHN McNAUGHT
13. BILLY PATON
14. JIM KEAN
15. TOM DONNELLY
16. RIKKI FERGUSON

BOLTON WANDERERS

(Sky Blue and Red with 'HB
ELECTRONICS' logo)

Player-Manager: John McGovern

1. JOHN PLATT
2. BRIAN BORROWS
3. RAY DEAKIN
4. WARREN JOYCE
5. GERRY McELHINNEY
6. PETER VALENTINE
7. STEVE THOMPSON
8. JEFF CHANDLER
9. WAYNE FOSTER
10. SIMON RUDGE
11. GRAHAM BELL
12. JOHN MCGOVERN
13. NEIL REDFEARN
14. STEVE SAUNDERS
15. GEORGE OGHANI
16. SIMON FARNWORTH

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee:

BRYAN ROBERTSON
(East Kilbride), Class 1

Linesmen:

Enclosure side —
R. G. McGUIRE
(Hamilton), Class 3A
(Red Flag)

Stand side —
F. McKENZIE
(Wishaw), Class 3B
(Yellow Flag)



(Note: Any changes in Officials will be
announced prior to the kick-off)



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WITH TRUST
IN 1983-84 —
WHY DON'T YOU?**